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## **OLR Bill Analysis**

**sHB 6648**

### ***AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION.***

#### **SUMMARY:**

This bill requires that the president of the Board of Regents for Higher Education (BOR) be appointed by the board, eliminating (1) the governor's responsibility to appoint the president upon the board's recommendation and (2) legislative confirmation of the appointee.

Under current law, the president serves at the governor's pleasure, but no later than March 1 in the year following a gubernatorial election (unless reappointed). The bill instead requires the president to serve at the board's pleasure, without a term limit. It requires BOR to establish the president's terms and conditions of employment, prescribe his or her duties, and fix his or her compensation.

The bill requires the president to implement the board's rules, not just its policies and directives as current law requires. It eliminates a requirement that the president administer, coordinate, and supervise the board's activities.

Lastly, the bill makes technical changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 18 Nay 1 (03/19/2013)